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David versus Goliath on Aruba's soccer fields Copa Aruba is underway!



Copa Aruba



Soccer action



Parade of flags

The inaugural Copa Aruba Soccer Tournament between veteran players of Aruba and Curaçao, the David facing up to teams from the Goliath nation that has produced the highest number of World Cup Champions, Brazil, opened on Saturday, October 30 at the Frans Figaroa Stadium in Noord.

Four games were played after opening ceremonies featuring young players from LIFIDA, Aruba's "Little League" of soccer. Aruba has pitted two teams, the Aruba and Oranjestad team again Brazilian players representing the cities of Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Belo Horizonte, Brasilia, Curitiba and Porto Alegre. The event is a cooperative effort between the Aruba Tourism Authority, Ministry of Sport and CIA Travel of Brazil.

CIA Travel CEO Rogerio Donata, organizer of the event, honored three Aruban legends of soccer during the opening ceremonies. Angel Bota, Doc Williams and Edwin Dirksz are veteran local champions who brought their teams to victory on many occasions during their long years involved with the sport. Copa Aruba celebrates veteran players, as the series features play in the 40 and 50 year old divisions.

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Official FIFA referees

Next monthly Aruba Culinary Festival tonight at Divi Links

PUNTA BRABO -- For an exciting taste of Aruba and cultural experience, the Aruba Culinary Festival takes place on the first Monday of every month at the scenic outdoor plaza at Divi Links (below Mulligan's). The next festival will be held tonight from 6 – 9 p.m.

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Hurricane Tomas weakens in Caribbean

MIAMI, Florida (AFP) – Hurricane Tomas weakened in the Caribbean yesterday after battering Barbados and St. Lucia with strong winds and heavy rains that damaged properties on the resort islands but caused no loss of life.

Maximum sustained winds decreased to 90 miles (150 kilometers) per hour, downgrading Tomas to a category one hurricane and was now moving west-northwest over the open sea at nine miles (15 kilometers) per hour, the US

National Hurricane Center (NHC) said.

Tropical storm force winds extended 175 miles (280 kilometers) from the center, about 180 miles (290 kilometers) west of St. Lucia.

According to the Miami-based NHC, Tomas will take a turn toward the west today as it continues to move across the eastern Caribbean over the next couple of days. It also forecast some "slight weakening" by late today.

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Minister Otmar Oduber meets with the community tonight at the Centro di Bario Piedra Plat

Celebrating one year of Cabinet Mike Eman government

ORANJESTAD – Today is a big day; the Cabinet Mike Eman is celebrating one year in the government. To mark this important day, Minister of Labor, Transport and Tourism Otmar Oduber, together with Prime Minister Mike Eman and Minister of Integration, infrastructure and Environment Benny

Sevinger will be present at tonight's Town Hall Meeting at the Piedra Plat Community Center.

During the meeting everyone can ask questions and bring forward their comments, concerns and ideas to the dignitaries.

Minister Oduber expressed his satisfaction that

this meeting which is taking place in his own district and exactly on the 1st anniversary of their government. He expressed the hope that everyone will attend this meeting and that together we can work towards a better future on our little island.

The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

US Republicans eye solid gains in mid-term elections

WASHINGTON (AFP) – US voters demoralized by a faltering economy look certain to hand Republicans a mid-term elections triumph tomorrow after souring on President Barack Obama's Democrats just two years into his crusade for change. Polls show Republicans set to win the House of Representatives and slice into the Democratic majority in the Senate, dividing power in Washington and forging a polarized prelude to Obama's 2012 reelection bid.

Republicans, electrified by the ultra-conservative Tea Party movement, vow to reverse Obama's sweeping health reforms and promise a budget crunch and tax cuts they claim will reduce the deficit and ignite growth.

The election for all 435 House seats and 37 in the Senate comes as the euphoric hope Obama stirred in 2008 seems an age away and with America's trademark brash optimism drained by a narrative of national decline.

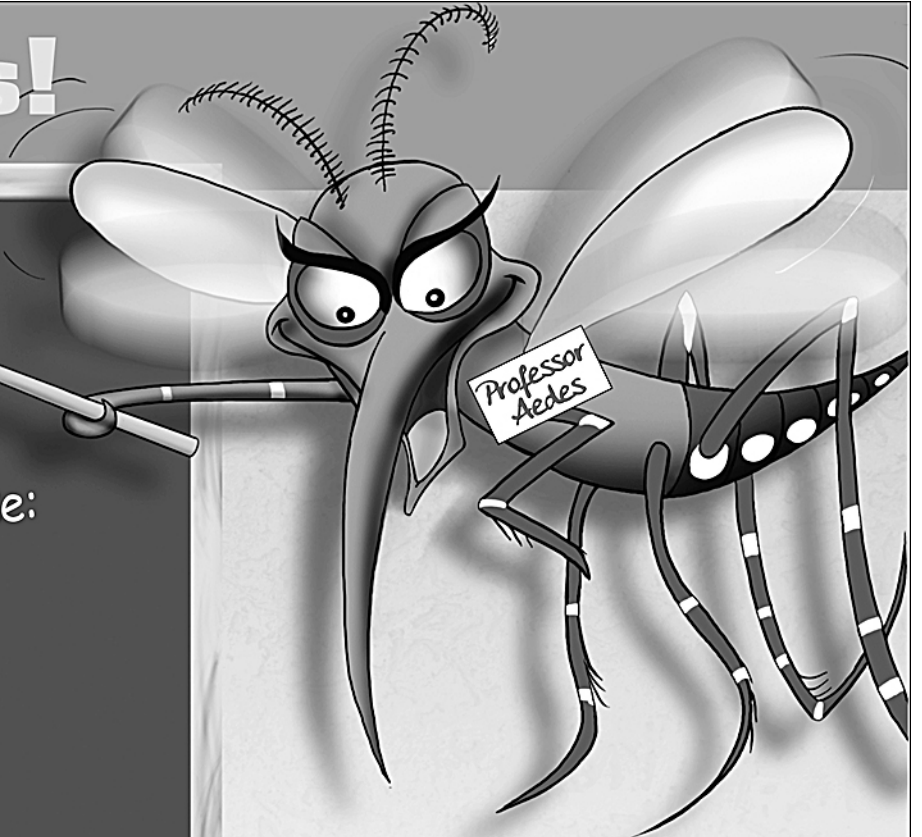
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TOWN HALL MEETING

INVITACION

Pa medio di e invitacion aki, henter Aruba ta keda invita pa un serie di foronan publico jama "Bo Opinion". E foronan aki ta basa ariba e estilo di un "Town Hall Meeting" y den cuadro celebracion di un aña di Gabinete Mike Eman, e Town Hall Meetingnan aki lo tuma lugar na diferente lugar rond di Aruba durante e prome siman di November.

Lo tin oportunidad pa trece bo preocupacionan dilanti relaciona cu comunidad en general of especificamente bo barrio, hasi preguntanan libremente of comunica bo opinion na e ministernan presente.

Cu e forum publico aki gobernacion di Aruba kier trece e pueblo mas serca di nan mandatario-nan y vice-versa. Asina aki, por haci posibel cu preocupacionan di pueblo di Aruba por jega mas liher y di un manera efectivo na conocimiento di Ministernan y Prome Minister en particular.

Entrada pa e Town Hall Meeting lo ta liber.

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"I just love Halloween," declares Cindy Cynowa, co-owner of the famous Kukoo Kunuku Party Bus tours, "it is my favorite holiday of the year." Cindy makes sure that those on their special Halloween edition tours also get into the spirit of the night, a tradition she has carried on for over ten years.

Parties are encouraged to come in costume, as does the Kukoo Kunuku crew; Wonder Woman and some full fledged psychedelic throwbacks to the hippie 60's and 70's eagerly demonstrated how to make those island moves while one of the island's favorite Michael Jackson impersonators gave guests a "Thriller" trick and treat.

After dinner the party buses made the rounds of Oranjestad at some of the more picturesque after-hours hangouts where Halloween surprises and calculated craziness awaited them at every turn. The holiday came one night early for those on the Kukoo Kunuku bus, but it was likely one of the most memorable they have ever seen!

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Copa Aruba is underway!

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Ypiranga team from Brazil

Island youth marched onto the field with flags from the participating nations and that of FIFA, as this is a sanctioned event of the international football federation, with official FIFA referees presiding. Division competitions will continue over today and Tuesday at Frans Figaroa Stadium beginning at 11:00 a.m., with five divisions bat-

tling it out each day during succeeding matches following at 12:45, 2:30, 4:15 and 6:00 p.m., for two full days of soccer action.

Semi-final and championship matches in Master and Super Master categories will take place at the Guillermo Trinidad Stadium in Dakota beginning at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3.

The finals commence Thursday evening beginning at 6:00 and 7:45 p.m. for the Copa Aruba 2010 Champions of each division.

Tickets for the Copa Aruba 2010 games are only 7 Aruban florins, (\$4.) per game and available at the door. Children under 12 may enter for free.

by Rosalie Klein



Honoring of Edwin Dirks, Angel Bota and Doc Williams

Court orders lifting of Turkey YouTube ban: reports

A Turkish court on Saturday ordered the lifting of a three-year ban on Internet video website YouTube, media reports said, but thousands of other sites are still blocked.

Access to YouTube was barred in September 2007 by a court in Sivas, eastern Turkey, after an individual complained of clips disrespectful to the revered founder of the modern state, Mustafa Kemal Atatürk.

The ban was extended on different occasions by media authorities, the most recently in June, prompting a complaint from the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe at Turkey's wholesale censorship of websites.

NTV television channel

said the court in Ankara had lifted the YouTube ban on Saturday because the offending videos had been removed.

Before the ban YouTube was the fifth most popular site in Turkey, according to date bank Alkexa Internet.

On June 4 Turkey also blocked access to more than 30 Google sites, which Transport Minister Binali Yildirim said had been reconfigured to enable Internet users to access YouTube.

The minister also said that Turkey had fined YouTube 15.6 million euros (21 million dollars) for never paying taxes in Turkey in spite of earnings made from advertising.

Intel, Others Work on 10-nm Chip R&D



Intel, Toshiba, and Samsung, among others, plan to form a consortium to develop 10-nm products, the Japanese Nikkei paper reported.

The three companies also plan to invite about ten others to join the consortium, the paper said. Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry will likely provide around 5 billion yen (\$61.21 million) of the roughly 10 billion yen in initial funds for the R&D efforts, Reuters reported on Friday.

Toshiba and Samsung plan to use the technologies to make 10 nanometer-class NAND flash memory and other chips, while Intel will likely use it to develop faster microprocessors, the Nikkei said.

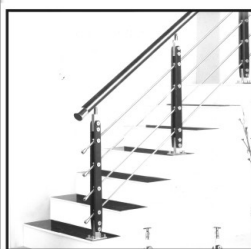
Intel recently said that it would invest up to \$8 billion

in next-generation 22-nm technology.

That investment will be used to develop and fabricates Intel's first 22-nm processors, known as "Ivy Bridge," in 2011. The Ivy Bridge design will be what's known as a process shrink - an existing design manufactured on a finer manufacturing process, with a corresponding cut in power or increase in clock speed - of the upcoming "Sandy Bridge" chip, which was introduced at this year's Intel Developer Forum.

On Friday, Intel announced the opening of a billion-dollar test and assembly plant in Vietnam. The new 500,000 square foot facility will eventually employ as many as 4,000 people, Intel said.

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Shuttle Discovery launch delayed to Wednesday: NASA

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The final scheduled mission of space shuttle Discovery was delayed another 24 hours to next Wednesday as technicians struggled to repair leaks in a pressurization system, NASA said on Saturday.

Kennedy Space Center technicians worked overnight to repair quick-disconnect fittings in the system used to pressurize one of Discovery's orbital maneuvering rocket engines.

The leaks were discovered Friday, prompting the space agency to push back the launch by a day to Tuesday.

NASA test director Jeff Spaulding said technicians had made "good progress" fixing the leaks "but are slightly behind the timeline that was prepared yesterday."

"We are optimistic we can target launch for Wednesday," he said. "Right now we're in a good path to get there."



Officials forecast a 70 percent chance of acceptable weather conditions for the Wednesday launch. The current launch window for the mission lasts until November

7, Spaulding said.

If technicians are able to finish their repairs on time, Discovery and its six American astronauts will now launch from Florida's Kennedy Space Center at 3:52 pm (1952 GMT) Wednesday bound for the International Space Station.

Discovery's all-American crew, including female mission specialist Nicole Stott, will deliver a pressurized logistics module called Leonardo, which will be permanently attached to the space station to give it more storage space.

The shuttle will also bring Robonaut 2, the first human-like robot in space, and a permanent addition to the orbiting space station, as well as spare parts.

Two space walks, for maintenance work and component installation, are scheduled.

The flight to the orbiting International Space Station (ISS) is the fourth and final shuttle flight of the year, and the last scheduled for Discovery, the oldest in the three-shuttle fleet that is being retired in 2011.

The three US shuttles -- the other two are Atlantis and Endeavour -- are due to be sent off to become museum pieces after a final shuttle mission to the space station in late February.

That means Russian Soyuz spacecraft, a modernized version of which recently dropped off three fresh crew members to the ISS, doubling the crew to six, will for several years be the only vehicle for transporting humans into space.

However, NASA's recently approved 2011 budget has left the door open to an additional shuttle flight in June.

Apple sues Motorola over patents in Mobile phones

Apple filed two lawsuits against Motorola and Motorola Mobility late Friday in a US federal court, claiming violations of its patents in multiple Motorola cell phones, including the Droid line.

According to the October 29 filings in the US District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin -- first reported by the blog PatentlyApple -- Apple is accusing Motorola of infringing on six patents, three of them focused on touchscreens. The products that it claims include the infringing technology are Motorola's Droid, Droid 2, Droid X, Cliq, Cliq XT, BackFlip,

Devour A555, Devour i1, and Charm.

Earlier this month, Motorola Mobility filed suit against Apple asking the US District Court in Delaware for a declaratory judgment that Apple had no rights to sue it for infringing 12 patents that it said Apple has asserted in targeting Android-phone maker HTC. None of those 12 patents are being invoked by Apple in its suit filed Friday. Motorola also filed two patent infringement lawsuits against Apple charging violations in the iPad, iPod and iPhone products.

Apple is seeking a jury trial and compensatory damages.

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Health & Living

Preschoolers watching too much TV



Young kids are watching too much television, some averaging more than five hours a day, a new study suggests.

The findings include screen time at home and in different child care settings.

And nearly 70 percent of the preschool-age children exceeded recommendations by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) for limiting screen exposure (including TV, DVDs, computers and video games) to one to two daily hours. The recommendation is based on research linking screen time with adverse effects, including language lags, obesity, possibly aggressive behaviors and decreased academic performance, according to study researcher Dr. Pooja Tandon of the Seattle Children's Research Institute and the University of Washington.

"A majority of children under the age of 5 years in the United States spend almost 40 hours a week with caregivers other than their parents, and it's important to understand what kind of screen-time exposure children are getting with these other caregivers," Tandon said.

TV tallies

The team looked at data collected from nearly 9,000

preschool-age children (4 to 5 years old) along with their parents and caregivers who took part in the Early Childhood Longitudinal Study-Birth Cohort (ECLS-B).

The sample is meant to represent about 4 million children of the same ages and demographics.

Results show that overall, children stared at TV screens 4.1 hours a day, including 3.6 hours at home and the rest in child care. Kids in home-based care showed the highest screen time, about 5.5 hours a day, with 1.5 of those hours in front of screens during child care. TV time for kids in commercial day cares was the lowest, at 3.2 daily hours. Kids cared for by parents only were exposed to 4.4 daily hours, and Head Start kids got 4.2 daily hours of screen time.

As for the overall abundance of TV-watching among the tots, parents' hectic lives may be partly to blame. From her own experience as a parent as well as anecdotal evidence from friends, Tandon said, "there are times when the television is used as a babysitter in a sense."

Part of the problem is that parents aren't as comfortable sending their children outside

to play on their own. And with so much media available, kids are spending more and more time indoors, she added.

TV tips

Since TV and other media are here to stay, Tandon recommends screening quality shows. "For children over 2, I think programs that teach things like numbers, letters, different languages, [those] that have positive messages like sharing and respecting diversity," Tandon said, adding that programs such as "Dora the Explorer," "Blue's Clues" and "Sesame Street" would be considered positive shows.

Tandon offers tips for limiting screen time:

- Use DVDs or on-demand television, because when the show is over, it's over. "The problem with television is it keeps going," Tandon said. These media also eliminate advertisements, which tend to promote unhealthy foods, she added.
- Set rules for screen time early in children's lives.
- Turn off the TV during meal times.
- Take TVs out of bedrooms. (Tandon mentioned research suggesting a certain percentage of preschoolers have TVs in their rooms.)
- Watch television with kids, and discuss the shows and the messages put forth.

And the take-home message from the study, Tandon said, is for parents to loop caregivers in - let them know what the recommendations are for TV time. If parents are in the know about how much screen time they soaked up during the day, television at home that day or week can be tailored to keep it at a dull roar.

Study: BPA may reduce sperm count



Exposure to bisphenol-A (BPA), a controversial chemical found in hard, clear plastics, is thought to increase the risk of birth defects, early puberty, obesity, brain damage, and some forms of cancer.

Add another potential

problem to the list: A new study of Chinese factory workers suggests that very high levels of BPA exposure may decrease sperm count and contribute to other sperm-related problems in men.

The findings aren't surprising. BPA—which can be found in some baby bottles and water bottles, as well the linings of food and beverage cans—is known to be a so-called endocrine disruptor that functions "like a weak estrogen" and blocks male sex hormones (including testosterone), says the lead author of the study, De-Kun Li, MD, a reproductive and perinatal epidemiologist at

Kaiser Permanente's division of research, in Oakland, Calif.

But the study is notable because it's one of the first in humans to link BPA with reproductive problems. Until very recently, most of the evidence implicating BPA in health problems has come from animal or laboratory studies. (BPA has been associated with reduced sperm count in mice and rats, for instance.)

"Human studies have been the missing link," Dr. Li says.

"If BPA has such an impact on male sexual function, we have to wonder what else it has an impact on," Dr. Li says.



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US approves Novartis brain tumour drug

ZURICH (AFP) – Swiss pharmaceutical company Novartis said Saturday that the US Food and Drug Administration had approved a drug for treating certain benign brain tumours which previously required surgery.

Everolimus, marketed as Afinitor, had been shown to be effective in reducing subependymal giant cell astrocytoma (SEGA) associated with tuberous sclerosis, a genetic disorder affecting approximately 25,000 to 40,000 people, mainly children and adolescents, in the United States, it said.

Accelerated FDA approval was based on a study

of 28 patients conducted by Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, in which nearly one-third of experienced a reduction of 50 percent or more in the size of their largest SEGA within six months, Novartis said.

The company said it was continuing to study the efficacy and clinical benefit of Afinitor in a wider trial, and had submitted marketing applications to the European Medicines Agency and the Swiss Agency for Therapeutic Products (Swissmedic).

If approved in the European Union for this indication, the treatment will be made available under the trade name Votubia, it said.

Understanding Osteopenia

Osteopenia is the medical term for low bone density. A diagnosis indicates you may be at risk of a more severe form of thinning bones called osteoporosis, according to the National Osteoporosis Foundation.

If you have osteopenia, it's time to protect your bones from thinning even more. The lower your bone density, the greater your risk of a fracture.

The foundation suggests performing weight-bearing exercises, getting plenty of calcium and vitamin D, limiting alcohol intake and avoiding smoking.

Some people with osteopenia may need to start taking medication to stabilize or reverse loss of bone mass. They may also require regular doctor visits and bone density tests. Speak to your doctor about what he or she recommends.



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More flexibility for Curacao's musicians to perform on Aruba



Recently, Curaçao musician representatives came to Aruba to talk with the Minister of Integration, Infrastructure and Environment Benny Sevinger on certain topics regarding presentation of musicians on our island.

In the past, ex Minister of Foreign Affairs, Candelario (Booshi) Wever introduced certain rules for Curaçaoan musicians to perform on Aruba. Consequently, those musicians had a difficult time to come here for their presentations.

When Aruban musicians go to Curaçao to perform, they do not encounter such obstacles. They receive a much better treatment compared to their Curaçao counterpart.

The Aruba government decided it's time to start applying similar treatments to Curaçao musicians.

Lately our Aruban bands are much in demand to perform in Curacao. For the end of the year some local bands will surely go to Curaçao. If the Aruban measures were to be applied by Curaçao, they will surely encounter obstacles to perform there.

Thus the Curaçao Artists and Musicians Association is trying to come to a satisfactory solution for everyone, and so continue with the good musical relationship between the two islands. Last Friday, representatives of the association of musicians of Aruba and Curacao together with Minister Sevinger and advisers signed a letter of intent. Now the Curacao government must make a decision to concretize the agreement.

Photo shows the signing of the agreement.

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Aruba's Famous Pictographs



Red cave painting

Whenever I wander in Aruba's countryside I often find the famous cave paintings left behind by our pre-historic ancestors. I find them endlessly fascinating, just as the team of archaeologists from our new museum in Oranjestad! I listened to one lecturer once, Harold Kelly, and found his information very helpful in understanding some of the images seen on rock formations and cave walls around the island. As much as can be understood, according to Harold, you should place yourself in the context of that past culture and the mindset of the shaman, especially as he was likely completely stoned on some peyote or herbal concoction when creating his work of art!

Aruba has nearly 350 pictographs in 22 locations we are aware of. These are the paintings, the images that are carved into rocks called petroglyphs, of which scientists have found only two on Aruba.

The paints were made from plant juices, the clay-like soil, and other natural substances, so colors were limited and tend to be white and earthy. It seems Aruba is very unique in the Caribbean for having two-color paintings, which have only been found far south in the Orinoco region of Venezuela, quite far from Aruba, and why? That would be a very interesting story, I think.

I must agree with Harold, I think these two-color pictographs are amazing art, images that show how the



A complex dichromatic painting



One of Aruba's most famous cave paintings

ancient people were so in tune with their environment and all the flora and fauna. Birds, iguanas and other creatures are their subjects, as well as some very strange and interesting shapes that we can only guess at. I suppose abstract art isn't all that new, after all!

Editor's note: "Ban Keiro" is Papiamentu for "let's go tripping in the cunucu!" Madi conducts her tours seven days a week in a single range rover type all terrain vehicle.

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Ami Mendes

Honorary Consul of the Philippines, Ami Henriquez-Mendes was proud to welcome hundreds of islanders to share the

music, culture and cuisine of the homeland to over 3,000 Aruban expatriate residents during the first Filipino Food Festival & Flea Market at Club Caiquetio in Paradera this past Saturday evening, October 30.

Community activists put together a night of authentic food and music as part of the contest to select the entries of the OPM (Original Pilipino Music) Songfest to be held at the Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort and Casino on Saturday, December 4. Romeo Kilayko, a noted singer from the community and organizer of the contest, opened the event and



warmed up the audience before the official competition began.

Contestants were required to perform songs by Filipino composers in any of the 83 dialects native to the nation, or English; Tagalog and Bisaya dominated the program. Judges included the consul and other members of the Filipino community who are popular performers plus music teacher and award winning singer Lilah Richardson. Head Judge was Father Rene of the Santa Ana Church in Noord, whose avocation is musical composition and arranging.

One of the most essential elements of a Filipino Festival is the food; the community is very proud of their singular cuisine. Traditional dishes such as lechón, whole roast suckling pig, and their famously exotic desserts of coconut, sold at bargain prices and had islanders flocking to Paradera to feast on unusual treats.

Filipinos came to Aruba in force with the opening of the Hyatt Regency Aruba in 1990 and have become a vital part of the community and taken positions in a number of areas of

expertise, particularly nursing, since then "We brought Karaoke to Aruba," commented Consul Henriquez-Mendes when opening the songfest, "and though we moved on to other methods of performing, we have come back to it again for tonight's entertainment." Fifteen finalists were selected by the judges to go on to the December 4th event.

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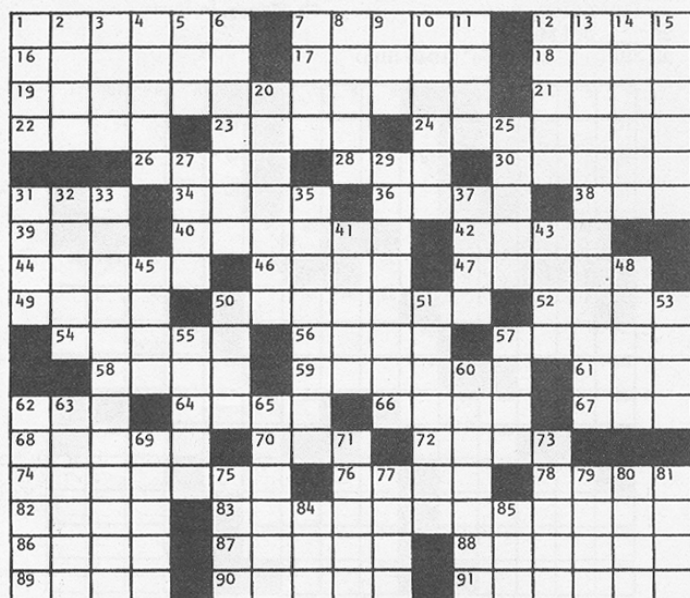
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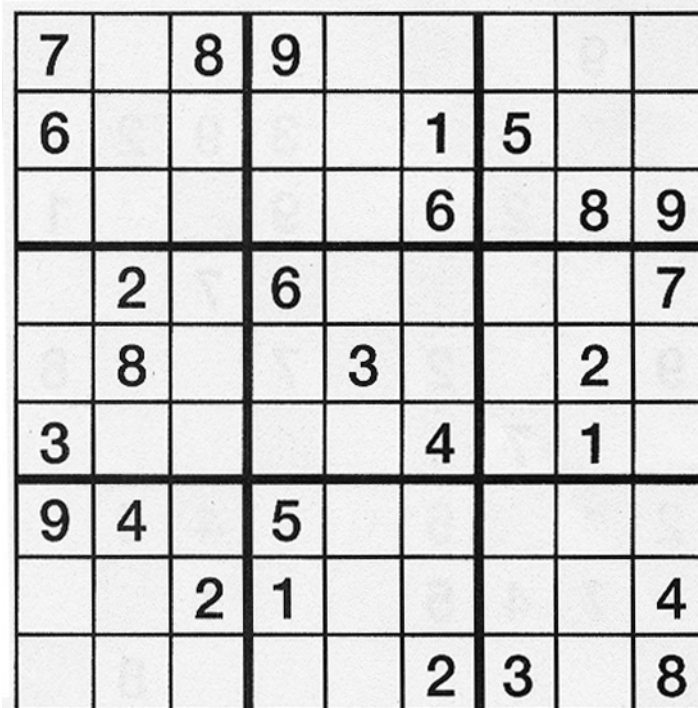
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WTO chief says 'worried' by currency interventions

BERLIN, Germany (AFP) — The head of the World Trade Organisation yesterday expressed his concern over unilateral interventions on currency markets, amid tensions between China and the United States over a so-called currency war.

Asked about the dangers of such a currency war, Pascal Lamy told German weekly Welt am Sonntag: "I would not talk of a currency war, but of tensions or frictions. The uncoordinated interventions on currency markets worries me."

Lamy added: "No one would doubt that the yuan is undervalued. But it is not clear whether a higher yuan rate would automatically produce more jobs in the United States."

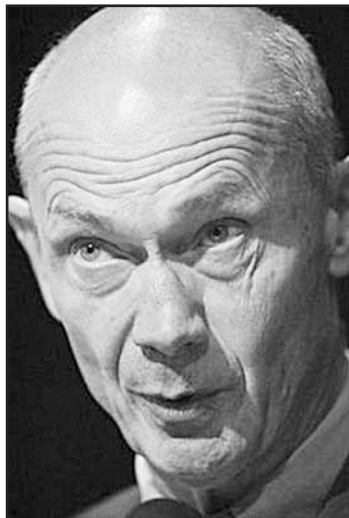
Washington says Beijing is deliberately keeping the yuan undervalued to boost its exports at America's expense.

And last month, Japan intervened in the international currency market for the first time in six years in a bid to halt a dramatic surge in the value of the yen.

On Thursday, the International Monetary Fund said the dollar was overvalued on currency markets, while the euro, yen and pound were each in line with fundamentals and the yuan was undervalued.

Meanwhile, some other emerging economies, notably South Africa and countries in Latin America, have allowed their currencies to appreciate "substantially," the Washington-based organisation said.

European Union leaders have urged the G20 of major and emerging powers meeting



Pascal Lamy

in South Korea next month to "avoid engaging in exchange rate moves aimed at gaining short-term competitive advantage."

The so-called currency war has sparked fears of a return to the 'beggar-thy-neighbour' policies at the heart of the 1930s Great Depression. Lamy said: "We are all afraid of that."

Nevertheless, he added: "Two years ago, after the Lehman Brothers crash, almost everyone thought this type of protectionism would occur again. Until now, despite the huge shock, this has not happened."

DHL tightens checks on freight traffic from Yemen

BERLIN, Germany (AFP) — Air freight carrier DHL has tightened checks at its German hub on goods coming from Yemen at the request of the US authorities, Germany's transport ministry said late Saturday.

"Because of a request from the American air security authorities and in consultation with the German interior ministry, we have asked DHL to monitor freight from Yemen at its freight hub in Leipzig," eastern Germany, said a statement.

The group, which is part of Deutsche Post, had immediately acted on the request following Friday's discovery of two parcel bombs in Dubai and in England, the statement

Weakness in tourism despite popularity of Aruba in Latin America

Summary of the Monthly Bulletin for August 2010

ORANJESTAD -- The Centrale Bank van Aruba (CBA) concludes in its Monthly Bulletin of August that the number of stay-over tourists decreased by 2.6 percent during August 2010. This fall can mainly be attributed to the U.S.-market (-9.0 percent). However, the number of visitors from the Netherlands and Colombia also lagged compared to August 2009, i.e. by respectively, 5.8 percent and 13.2 percent. Airlift from Latin American countries increased during the period under review, as Aruba's popularity as a tourist destination seems to be on a rising path in that region, especially among visitors from Brazil. Remarkable is the increase in the number of visitors coming from Ecuador: from 132 to 1,062. However, this seems to be incidental.

A deflation in prices was experienced for the second consecutive month, where the consumer price index (CPI) of August 2010 registered a 0.1 percent decrease compared to the same month of 2009. When excluding the water, electricity and gasoline components from the CPI, a decline of 1.1 percent in consumer prices results. Components of the CPI

contributing to the deflation in Aruba were food, clothing, and the purchase of vehicles.

The real turnover tax revenue (BBO) collected over the month of September 2010, indicative of economic activity during August 2010, declined by 10.4 percent. According to this indicator, economic activity in the first eight months of 2010 shrank by 6.5 percent.

The government data for August 2010 show that total tax revenue dropped by Afl. 5.7 million (-7.8 percent) to Afl. 67.3 million when compared to the same month a year earlier.

Total proceeds of non-tax revenue dropped by Afl. 7.4 million (52.1 percent) to Afl. 6.8 million. In August 2010, money supply increased by Afl. 15.8 million to Afl. 3,237.5 million, because of an Afl. 25.2 million rise in the net domestic assets. This rise was partially mitigated by an Afl. 9.4 million net outflow of foreign funds. Aruba's net for-

eign assets (excluding revaluation differences of gold and foreign exchange holdings) dropped as a result of the latter development to Afl. 1,501.9 million at the end of August 2010, which is still Afl. 69.4 million or 4.8 percent higher than the amount recorded in the corresponding month of 2009.

An Afl. 51.7 million decline in the net liabilities of the banking sector to the government was the only factor contributing significantly to the above-mentioned growth in net domestic assets. Total claims on the private sector fell marginally (-Afl. 2.1 million), mainly because of a slightly lower level of credit to enterprises.

Housing mortgages grew by Afl. 5.0 million, while consumer credit dropped for the second month in a row (i.e., -Afl. 3.6 million), due to a decrease in the outstanding car loans.

Film giant MGM strikes bankruptcy rescue deal

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) — James Bond seems set to live another day after debt-ridden film giant MGM secured a deal to end months of financial deadlock, which put the latest 007 movie on ice along with the studio's fate.

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, whose catalogue includes the Bond franchise as well as the "Pink Panther" and "Rocky" series, announced a debt-restructuring rescue deal late Friday while rejecting an offer from billionaire Carl Icahn.

In a statement the legendary studio -- famous for its trademark roaring lion logo -- said its lenders had "overwhelmingly approved its proposed plan of reorganization" with US firm Spyglass Entertainment.

Spyglass was favored over a rival offer by Icahn, who reportedly owns about 800 million dollars of MGM's debt, to merge the studio with film producer Lionsgate in which he is

the largest shareholder.

"MGM will now move expeditiously to implement that plan, which will dramatically reduce its debt load and put the company in a strong position to execute its business strategy."

"MGM is appreciative of the lenders' support," said the MGM statement.

The studio, with a 4,000-strong back catalogue that also includes "The Wizard of Oz" and "Singin' in the Rain," has been struggling for the last few years, and its owners put it up for sale a year ago.

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Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

Managers of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, report that sales are picking up nicely as the global economy begins to recover and those with a bit of disposal income are looking to invest in a sure thing. Gold Coast Directing Manager Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners are barely using the villas or town homes they purchase, but taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community; in this area, the value of properties has only increased over time. It is minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy run Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project; the scope and amenities. We talked to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on



Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who dreamed of their own home in Aruba will eventually be a community of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional pools decks, one of which has been open for a year, the other will be ready for the holidays 2010. They expect the clubhouse to be ready for the community with a workout room and specta-

homes. An elegant and chic standard package is available, or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast managers have inaugurated a number of in-house services and are now negotiating with Interval International to provide a huge international pool



cular facilities by the end of 2011. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the management association's rental service. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold Coast, making it easy for some owners to earn their mortgage payments or others to see an immediate return on their investment.

The design of the structures is open, airy and spacious, fully deploying the island environment, with the finest quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options for clients, so buyers can individualize their



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American teen crowned Miss World 2010

SANYA, China (AFP) — Blonde, blue-eyed American teenager Alexandria Mills won the Miss World crown for 2010 on Saturday, defeating more than 100 other hopefuls at a glittering ceremony in southern China.

Mills, an 18-year-old from the southern US state of Kentucky, wept as outgoing Miss World Kaiane Aldorino of Gibraltar placed the tiara on her head and led her to a diamond-shaped throne marking the pageant's 60th anniversary.

The 1.75-meter (5'9") beauty in white -- a professional model listed with the Elite Models agency -- waved to the cheering crowd at the 2,000-capacity Beauty Crown Theatre in the resort town of Sanya on Hainan island.

During the two-hour competition, which annually draws a global television audience of about one billion, Mills said her month spent touring China with the other 114 Miss World hopefuls had made a "big impact" on her life.

Botswana's Emma Wareus was second, and Venezuela's Adriana Vasini placed third in the pageant, which was first held in 1951.




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World's 'largest Jesus' being built in Poland

SWIEBODZIN, Poland (AFP) – A Polish priest said Friday he is nearing completion of what will be the world's largest statue of Jesus Christ, bigger than the current tallest ones in Bolivia and Brazil.

Father Sylwester Zawadzki told AFP that the statue he is constructing at Swiebodzin in western Poland, 50 kilometres (31 miles) from the Polish-German border, will be finished by November 21.

"The statue will be a total 58 meters (190 feet) high from the base and 24 meters wide at the arms," added Jan Zawadzki, foreman on the project and brother of the priest.

The Roman Catholic pastor came up with the idea to build a statue of Christ larger than any other in the world five years ago. He purchased a four-acre (1.6-hectare) plot for the project from a state farmland agency and acquired sponsors, aiming to fulfil a cherished ambition.

Like Christ of Concordia in Bolivia and the Christ of Rio de Janeiro in Brazil -- both of which measure about 33 metres without their pedestals, the Christ of Swiebodzin is entirely white.

Unlike the other two statues, the figure in Poland will have a golden crown.

Master chocolatiers give green cocoa a boost

PARIS, France (AFP) – From its chocolate factory in the French Alps, Stephane Bonnat's family has been nurturing ties with cocoa farmers around the world for over a century, and together they are now driving a green revolution.

Long dismissed by cocoa-loving gourmets as poor in texture and flavour, organic chocolate has broken into the luxury end of the market, promoted by master chocolatiers like Bonnat who have made it an "ethical choice."

Bonnat decided to go organic 17 years ago, after taking over the family chocolate business in the Alpine town of Voiron. For him this meant building on its decades-old ties with growers around the world, starting in Mexico.

"Back then they wanted to sell me their cocoa three euros a kilo. I offered them nine!" the chocolatier told AFP at the art the giant Salon du Chocolat trade fair in Paris last week.

"Today they make a good living, they visit the Salon in Paris, get to see the finished product," said Bonnat, whose firm -- one of Europe's oldest -- was a pioneer of high-quality organic chocolate.

Likewise, Bonnat says the 35 cocoa suppliers, from Peru to Venezuela, which supply his factory with some 220 tons of beans per year have benefited from the shift to high-end organic.

Two of its growers in Brazil were awarded the 2009 Best Cocoa award, handed out each year at the Salon du Chocolat.

Fully 80 percent of the world's cocoa plantations are thought to be de facto organic, run by farmers who cannot afford chemical fertilizers or pesticides, Bonnat told AFP.

But only a tiny fraction of that output is certified organic, since few can cover the cost of a complex formal labelling process.

"Cocoa beans that are certified organic account for just 20 percent of world production -- and less than two percent of the chocolate sold around the world is labelled organic," said Bonnat.

Meanwhile most of the world's chocolate production is in the hands of a global industry for which, Bonnat says, quality is not a priority.



Stephane Bonnat, owner of one of the oldest chocolate shops in Europe, pictured here during the first cacao and chocolate symposium of Latin America, in Lima, in July.

"The paradox is that cocoa producer countries are not the ones that make the chocolate," he said.

Parisian chocolatier Jean-Paul Hevin, who buys organic cocoa directly from producers in Haiti, started sourcing ethically a decade ago in a bid to "defend the sector" from industrial excesses.

The choice comes at a price -- adding 20 percent to his production costs -- but he does not tack this onto the retail price for his chocolate, which sells for 3.90 euros

offering punters such intriguing delicacies as chocolate with oysters, carrots or a chili-banana mix.

"Organic or not organic," said Philippe Laurent, head of sales at the chocolatier Michel Cluizel, "a great tasting chocolate always depends both on the quality of the bean and on the craftsmanship."

Excellence requires making the cocoa paste without artificial flavours or soy lecithin -- used as an emulsifier in most industrial chocolate -- and relying only on natural vanilla pods and cane sugar.

Like Bonnat and Cluizel, Francois Pralus is one of five French luxury chocolatiers who transform the cocoa beans themselves, sourced from South America or Indonesia.

He too has built up a relationship with growers in Madagascar -- where he owns a small plantation -- and in Venezuela which produces the Chuao cocoa -- "an exceptional vintage from exceptional soil."

In Venezuela, the 20 tons of cocoa produced a year for Pralus helped rebuild the local school, while his planters in Madagascar earn 65 euros (90 dollars) per month, almost three times the average wage of 25 euros.

"Organic chocolate doesn't taste better per se," says Pralus. "It requires a heavy financial commitment, the admin and checks are cumbersome. But it's also a philosophical gesture, a lifestyle choice that we make every day."



(5.3 dollars) a bar.

"I wanted to do something for Haiti, cutting out middlemen to provide growers with a better wage. I believe in 'art de vivre,' in quality. And quality always depends on the grower," he told AFP.

Hevin, whose stand at the Salon du Chocolat has the feel of a jewelry or luxury perfume display case, likens the "latest cru from Papua New Guinea" to a "truly great wine."

The chocolatier recently opened a luxury hot chocolate bar in the French capital,

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Westwood sure of world No 1 spot



SOTOGRADE (AFP) - Lee Westwood was assured of toppling Tiger Woods as world number one on Sunday when Martin Kaymer failed to finish in the top two in the European Tour's Andalucia Masters tournament.

The 37-year-old Englishman was already certain, under the complex world rankings system, of moving ahead of Woods who had been number one for the last five years.

But with Westwood not playing in Spain this week, Germany's newly-crowned US PGA champion Kaymer had the chance of taking the top spot with a first or second place finish at the Valderrama course.

After rounds of 72, 74 and 70 though Kaymer was nine shots off the pace going into Sunday's final round with little hope of achieving his goal.

A closing effort of a four over 75 meant that as soon as he completed his round it was clear that Westwood would be the new world number one, the first European player to hold that position since Nick Faldo in 1994.

"Lee really deserves it, he's one of the greatest guys on Tour," said Kaymer, who finished in a tie for 21st.

"At the Ryder Cup he showed what kind of person he is. He helped me. I'm very happy for Lee."

Westwood will be challenged to hold on to top spot next week when he, Woods, Kaymer and Phil Mickelson all tee off in the star-studded HSBC Champions trophy in Shanghai.

The Ryder Cup star will be the fifth player to displace the American atop the rankings, but the first since Woods went back to the top replacing Fiji's Vijay Singh in June 2005.

Despite once again failing to win a major this year, Westwood has been the most consistent golfer in the world with runner-up finishes in the Masters and at the British Open.

Woods, meanwhile, has failed to win a single tournament as the ripple effects from his marriage meltdown have wrecked his focus and form on the course.

The 25-year-old Kaymer had jumped into contention by winning his last three tournaments prior to Andalucia including his first major at the US PGA.

Meanwhile, Northern Ireland's Graeme McDowell made inroads into Kaymer's sizeable Race to Dubai lead

as he held on for a victory in Andalucia and a top ten ranking.

McDowell shot a three over par final round 74 but finished two ahead of a chasing pack of three which included Northern Irishman Gareth Maybin, Damien McGrane of Ireland and Dane Soren Kjeldsen.

Golf world number ones

(List by total number of weeks in their careers spent at number one, number in brackets chronological order of when they were number one):

Tiger Woods (USA) **623 weeks (9)**

Greg Norman (AUS) **331 weeks (3)**

Nick Faldo (ENG) **98 weeks (4)**

Seve Ballesteros (ESP) **61 weeks (2)**

Ian Woosnam (WAL) **50 weeks (5)**

Nick Price (ZIM) **44 weeks (7)**

Vijay Singh (FIJ) **32 weeks (12)**

Fred Couples (USA) **16 weeks (6)**

David Duval (USA) **15 weeks (11)**

Ernie Els (RSA) **9 weeks (10)**

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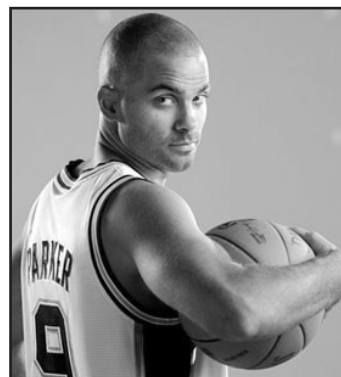
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Spurs ink Parker to multi-year extension



SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AFP) - The San Antonio Spurs locked up guard Tony Parker with a four-year contract extension, but New Orleans made sure they didn't celebrate the deal with an victory on Saturday.

Chris Paul scored 25 points for the Hornets, who emerged as the only unbeaten team in the Southwest Division with a 99-90 NBA triumph.

Parker scored 13 points only hours after signing a four-year extension. But San Antonio couldn't recover from a poor shooting performance in the third quarter. France's Parker entered the season in the final year of his contract.

It was uncertain the Spurs would make him an offer,

even though the former NBA All-Star had repeatedly said he wanted to stay in San Antonio.

The deal insures San Antonio's core trio of Parker, Tim Duncan and Manu Ginobili is now signed up through next season, which is the final year of Duncan's contract.

"I didn't mind playing through the year and be a free agent," Parker said. "But it was my first option and for my wife was to stay in San Antonio."

Parker's deal marks San Antonio's third big extension since April. Ginobili signed for three more years and swingman Richard Jefferson restructured a new four-year deal.

"It's home here," Parker said. "I love being with Pop. I love being with Timmy and Manu. I'm happy to keep the adventure going with them."

The Hornets have found plenty to like about San Antonio as well, picking up two Spurs associates prior to the season in Williams, who played and served as an assistant coach under Popovich, and new general manager Dell Demps.

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49ers down Denver in London NFL matchup

LONDON (AFP) - San Francisco 49ers running-back Frank Gore eased the pressure on head coach Mike Singletary as his dominant display set up a 24-16 win over the Denver Broncos at London's Wembley Stadium on Sunday.

Gore rushed for over 100 yards and scored the decisive touchdown in the annual International Series match in England as the 49ers improved their record to 2-6.

It was a much-needed victory for Singletary, who earned a place in the Hall of Fame as a legendary linebacker with the Chicago Bears but has struggled to replicate that success as a coach.

Although Singletary is still far from certain to keep his job beyond the end of the season after the 49ers' failure to live up to their billing as play-off contenders, Gore's efforts at least earned him some breathing space.

These two teams represented the NFL's gold standard 20 years ago when 49ers quarterback Joe Montana led his team to victory over John Elway's Broncos in the 1990 Superbowl, but that championship-winning aura has faded from both clubs in recent years.



Frank Gore #21 of San Francisco 49ers runs with the ball during the NFL International Series match between Denver Broncos and San Francisco 49ers

Yet the lack of star quality was never likely to discourage British fans from supporting the fourth regular season game to be played in London.

Over 83,000 packed into Wembley, with the stadium a colourful patchwork quilt of jerseys from virtually every NFL team.

However, even the carnival atmosphere couldn't disguise the significance of the occasion for Singletary, who had taken a potentially career-defining gamble at a time when he was fighting to save his job.

An injury to first-choice quarterback Alex Smith had forced Singletary to make a change at the game's most important position.

He had been expected to go with the experienced David Carr but instead handed Troy Smith his first start for three years, just weeks after the untried for-

mer Baltimore player joined the 49ers.

Smith, aided by Gore, led the 49ers on the game's first scoring drive as Joe Nedney kicked a 34-yard field goal late in the first quarter.

Neither team was able to make any headway for the rest of the first half and the 49ers' cause wasn't helped when tight end Vernon Davis limped off with an ankle injury.

In the third quarter, Denver quarterback Kyle Orton connected with a 71-yard pass to Brandon Lloyd.

Lloyd was tackled on the one-yard line, but Tim Tebow substituted for Orton on the next play and ran in the first touchdown of the game.

49ers kicker Nedney missed with a field goal attempt that cannoned back off a post before Matt Prater increased Denver's lead with a 32-yard field goal early in the fourth quarter.

It took a stunning catch by 49ers tight end Delanie Walker -- leaping above two defenders at the Denver one-yard line after an off-balance bomb from Smith -- to spark Singletary's team into life.

Two plays later, Smith scrambled into the far corner of the endzone to bring the 49ers level at 10-10.

Suddenly the momentum had turned in the 49ers' favour and, after a terrible Denver punt gave San Francisco good field position, Smith arrowed a perfect 20-yard touchdown pass to Michael Crabtree.

49ers linebacker Manny Lawson delivered the knockout blow as he chased down the scrambling Orton and knocked the ball loose for Takeo Spikes to recover.

It was the first turnover of the game and Gore took full advantage as he surged in for a touchdown moments later.

Orton set up a dramatic finish as he led Denver straight back down the field and threw a touchdown pass to Lloyd with just over two minutes left.

But Denver squandered a chance to draw level when Eddie Royal's kick-off return to the one-yard line was called back for holding and the 49ers held on as Shawn-tae Spencer's interception sealed the win.

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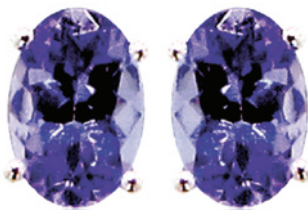


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Resilient Clijsters battles to Doha success

DOHA, Qatar (AFP) - Kim Clijsters followed her defence of the US Open title with a display of great resilience to recapture the WTA Championships title after an interval of seven years here on Sunday.

Clijsters, 27, did that with a 6-3, 5-7, 6-3 win over world number one Caroline Wozniacki, despite not having competed at all during the seven weeks since her US Open success because of a foot operation.

The Belgian also had to recover from the disappoint-



ment of seeing the 20-year-old Dane come back from a set and 1-4 down to take the match to an enthralling de-

cider.

"I am very relieved it is over," said Clijsters after her two-hour 20-minute victory, "because it seemed it would never end."

"It was a very tough battle, and I think it was a fine advert for women's tennis. I'm glad I won but I don't know how many more years I will play, and I think Caroline has a great future ahead of her."

Clijsters succeeded because she had the more naturally forceful game, remained unfazed by the ups and downs of an unpredictably long drawn out battle, and played some of her best tennis in the final stages.

It was a disappointment for Wozniacki because she had wanted to answer those detractors who questioned her status as the world's number one because she has not yet won a Grand Slam title.

This title would have been the next best thing, though there were moments when it looked within her reach, and she did suggest - with her tactical adaptability, and tremendous court coverage - that she has the capacity eventually to win it.

"It was still a fantastic week for me," said Wozniacki, who achieved the year end top spot with her second win of the week here. "I would love to come back here, and I would love to try for this title again."

Wozniacki had to find ways to counter Clijsters' heavier game, sometimes by coming to the net more often; also by seeking more angles to keep Clijsters moving.

It made for good rallies and longer games. It was after one very long game that Clijsters broke to win the first set, gaining some momentum to break again early in the second.

India's Sehwag backs umpire review system

MUMBAI, India (AFP) - Opener Virender Sehwag on Sunday batted for the Umpire Decision Review System (UDRS), asking for its implementation in all of India's upcoming engagements including next year's cricket World Cup.

"I am a big fan of the UDRS," Sehwag told reporters in Mumbai. "I want it to be there for the India-New Zealand series, India-South Africa series and in the World Cup."

The review system will not be used in India's three-Test series against New Zealand starting in Ahmedabad on Thursday, while a

decision on its implementation for the South Africa tour in December is still to be taken.

Sehwag's views on the UDRS differ from the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and most of India's top players, including skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni and Sachin Tendulkar.

Both Dhoni and Tendulkar are sceptical of its effectiveness after their first brush with the system during the tour of Sri Lanka in 2008. They struggled with the referrals, getting only one right, while Sri Lanka successfully challenged 11 decisions.



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